

THE PROBLEM:

To estimate the consequences of the employment of Chinese Nationalist forces in Korea.

ASSUMPTION:

That hostilities have not spread beyond the borders of Korea at the time of a decision to employ Chinese Nationalist forces in Korea.

Suggested Outline:

I. Political and Strategic Consequences.

A. Chances of UN Support of Employment of Chinese Nationalists.

B. Effect of Unilateral US Employment of Chinese Nationalists.

1. Effect on UN, especially on NATO countries.

2. Effect on Asian countries other than China.

a. Southeast Asia.

b. India.

3. Effect on Chinese anti-Communist potential on the mainland.

4. Effect on US relations with Chinese Nationalists.

5. Effect on Chinese Communists.

a. Increase in CC determination and commitment in Korean war.

b. Increase in CC determination to expel West from Asia as a whole.

c. Willingness to engage in open war with US.

i. Alone.

ii. With support from USSR as ally in local war.

iii. As ally of USSR in general war.

6. Effect on USSR.

a. With respect to support of China.

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i. In Korea.

ii. In Chinese war with US.

b. With respect to General war with US.

II. Immediate Military Consequences.

A. In Korea.

1. Size of Contingent Probably Available.

2. Combat efficiency.

a. Equipment.

b. Training.

c. Leadership.

d. Morale

e. Reliability in combat along with UN forces.

3. Movement to Korea.

a. Logistic effort involved.

b. Time for deployment involved.

4. Effect on UN Military Strength in Korea of Political Reaction.

5. Positive Military Contribution in Terms of Local Korean Situation

and Chinese Communist Capabilities.

a. Chances of stabilizing battle on line across waist of Korean peninsula.

b. Chances of maintaining South Korean bridgehead.

6. Positive Military Contribution in Korea Compared with Military Value

of Employment in Cooperation with Guerrillas in South China.

a. In event war continues within borders of Korea.

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- b. In event of open war with China.
 - c. In event of general war.
- B. In Formosa.
- 1. Internal Security of Formosa.
 - 2. Security of Formosa against Chinese Communist attack.
 - 3. Military Value of Formosa relative to Value of Korea in Event of
Open War with China.
 - 4. Military Value in Event of General War.

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